PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No: Q93246

In re application of

Satoko YAMAHIRA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/568,671 Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 2722 Examiner: Irene MARX

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LACTIC ACID BACTERIA CAPABLE OF STIMULATING MUCOSAL IMMUNITY For:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three month(s), extending the time for responding to the Office Action of May 21, 2009 to November 21, 2009.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$1110.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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